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Interview Summary

On 07/01/2009 Ashley I. Pezzer called the examiner in reference to the errors and omissions in the instant case mailed 06/24/09. Ashley I. Pezzer mentioned that Section 13 in the office action that reads WO 2006/0208221 should be replaced by WO 2004/093207. In addition, Ashley I. Pezzer mentioned that the IDS(s) sheets were neither signed, nor stamped with review dates and the all references considered notices were missing. Ashley I. Pezzer also indicated that no additional time was being requested by the applicant to respond to the office action mailed on 06/24/09. The examiner acknowledged the errors in Section 13 and the omitted notifications on the IDS (s). The errors and omissions have been addressed in the current office.

DETAILED ACTION

The following office action in response to a call from Ashley I. Pezzer on 07/01/2009 that is detailed in the interview summary shown above.

The heading reads as:

13. Claims 1-3, 5-12, 16-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Gerhard (DE 103 17 556.3) or WO 2006/0208221. The US PG Pub 2006/0208221 is being relied upon as a direct translation or WO 2006/0208221.

The heading has been changed to read as:

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The IDS(s) dated 05/26/2006 and 02/02/2007 were updated to include signatures, stamps with review dates and the all references considered notices.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to GREGORY CLARK whose telephone number is (571)270-7087. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th 7:00 AM to 5 PM Alternating Fri 7:30 AM to 4 PM and Off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Larry Tarazano can be reached on (571) 272-1515. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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